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REMARKS

In the Office Action, claims 14-18 have been indicated as allowable if rewritten to include all of the limitation of the base claim in intervening claims. See, Office Action, page 10. In response, claims 14, 15 and 16 have been presented in independent form as previously provided. Claims 17 and 18 remain pending as originally filed and depend from claim 15, now presented as an independent claim as previously discussed. Further, the remaining pending claims have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Therefore, Applicants believe that the present application is in condition for allowance and earnestly solicit an indication of same as soon as possible.

Respectfully submitted,

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